9.0 Glossary

This section defines several acronyms and other terminology used in the CAW screens and reports.
ACQ - Annual Contract Quantity
The annual quantity of natural gas specified in the Contract between the Customer and Company that can be delivered to Company.

Accounting Month

Act Cd - Activity Code
This is the transaction identification number assigned to each set of nominations.

Agent
A third party who is authorized by the actual shipper or contract holder to perform specific business transactions on the shipper’s behalf.

BI
Business Invalid. Represents an error code for a nomination. BI errors relate to items such as MDQ violations and path errors.

BP - Business Party
The BP represents an entity conducting business on DTE Energy’s Customer Activity Website (CAW).

Buy
An Action on the nomination screen indicating a supply nomination.

BV
Business Valid. Status given a nomination, that has been validated and identified as a “good” nomination.

CAW - Customer Activity Website
The electronic mechanism used by third parties to enter and view business transactions on DTE Energy’s pipelines.

CICO - Cash In/Cash Out
The mechanism of monetary settlement of imbalances created at Dry Points located on MichCon’s transmission system.

Dn K
Downstream contract.

Dn Name - Downstream Name
The Business Party Entity, to which the is delivering or transferring gas.
Dry Points
Production points located on DTE Energy’s transmission system versus the more common production points located behind MichCon Gathering Pipelines.

Dth – Dekatherm
A measure of the total heat content of 1,000 cubic feet of gas. Dekatherms are calculated by multiplying the Mcf (volume unit of gas in cubic feet) by the heat content or BTU factor of the gas.

EUT - End User Transportation
Represents large commercial and industrial end users located within MichCon’s service territory.

Gas Day
A period of 24 consecutive hours beginning at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Clock Time.

Interconnect
A physical delivery or receipt point where the DTE Energy pipeline connects with another pipeline.

Intraday Nomination
A nomination that is submitted after the close of the timely nomination cycle. All of the DTE Energy operated pipelines have one intra-day cycle.

LI
Line invalid. A status code in nominations, which represents a nomination error. This may be an unknown contract number or location.

LN - Location Number

LV
Line Valid. A status code in nominations representing a nomination that has passed basic validation.

MDIQ - Maximum Daily Injection Quantity.
The maximum daily quantity of natural gas that may be injected into storage.

MDQ - Maximum Daily Quantity
A daily quantity of natural gas specified in the Contract between Customer and Company that can be delivered to Company.
MDWQ - Maximum Daily Withdrawal Quantity
The maximum daily quantity of natural gas that may be withdrawn from storage

Month
The period beginning on the first day of a calendar Month and ending on the last day of the same calendar Month.

MSQ - Maximum Storage Quantity
The maximum quantity of natural gas that may be stored under a given storage contract.

OBA - Operational Balancing Agreement
An agreement between pipelines used to correct imbalances at interconnect points.

OPV – Operator Provided Value

PNT - Path Non Threaded
Represents the nomination model utilized by all of DTE Energy’s pipelines.

PDATT – Pre Determined Allocation Transaction Type

PPA - Prior Period Adjustment
Any restatement of information from the previous accounting month’s submitted billing data. Rate and measurement changes are the most common causes of PPAs.

PPP - Primary Point Pair, or path pairs.

Production Month
The calendar month during which service is rendered by the pipeline to the shipper.

PTR - Plant Thermal Reduction

QPTM - Quorum Pipeline Transaction Management
The software utilized by DTE Energy to manage shipper transactions.

Ratchet
Contract quantity calculation determined based on currently effective items (i.e., storage inventory).
Scheduled Volumes
Best available quantity from the scheduling/confirmation process; output of the nomination process.

Sell
An Action on the nomination screen indicating a market or delivery title transfer nomination.

Svc Req - Service Requestor
Represents the party making the nomination. Could be the shipper or the shipper’s agent.

TBQ - Transportation Balance Quantity
Represents shipper imbalances on the MichCon Pipelines Gathering System.

Title Transfer
The transfer of ownership of gas between two parties. No physical movement of gas is involved. “Buy” or “Sell” record on a nomination.

TOS – Type of Service

TSP - Transportation Service Provider
Also referred to as “the pipeline.” Represents the DTE Energy entity providing the service. This could be: 1) MichCon Storage & Transportation, or 2) MichCon Pipelines, (i.e., Gathering)

TT - Transaction Type
Represents type of business being transacted. For example, current business or storage injections. Should not be confused with “title transfers.”